

WHAT THE LEGISLATURE DID AND DID NOT DO

The things the legislature did not do:

Pass a minimum wage law for working women,

Limit the working hours of women to fifty-four in one week,

Pass the Initiative and Referendum,

Pass the tax reform bill,

Pass the anti-pass and anti-graft legislation,

Call a constitutional convention,

Practice a little timely economy.

The things the legislature did do:

Passed woman suffrage,

Passed public utilities ownership,

Passed public utilities state commission (carefully eliminating home rule clause),

Passed primary amendments,

Passed University of Illinois dry zone,

Passed million dollar epileptic colony,

Passed Chicago outer harbor,

Spent \$37,600,000 (\$8,000,000 more than two years ago).

BLACKSMITHS WIN STRIKE

According to a telegram received from J. W. Kline, president of the International Union of Blacksmiths, the 240 blacksmiths on strike at the Erie Forge Works, Erie, Pa., have returned to work after a victorious strike of three weeks.

Kline gives full credit for the victory to Louis F. Post of Chicago, newly appointed to the department of labor.

"In Mr. Post's first case he has shown a broad-minded knowledge of the rights of workmen," said Kline. "I believe he will prove a real friend of labor, when its cause is just, in controversies with employers."

The blacksmiths struck for increased wages and better working conditions, as well as recognition of the union, which is newly organized.

CALL MORE POLICE TO PROTECT STRIKEBREAKERS

St. Louis, June 21.—Although officials of the telephone company are still maintaining that the service is unimpaired and that the striking operators have no grievance and will soon return to work, more police have been commissioned to protect non-union employes from the activity of the striking pickets.

Miss Lillian Miller, president of the Telephone Operators' Union, was arrested today in front of the Sidney exchange on a charge of throwing a missile at a taxicab in which were five working telephone operators and a male employe of the company. Miss Miller denied that she threw the missile.

A guard's elbow was thrust into the side of a girl picket and she was compelled to leave the lines to seek medical attention. She was one of a crowd who were bumping and pushing strikebreakers and their escorts.

VAN VLISSINGEN WINS—WIFE IS REFUSED DIVORCE

Peter Van Vlissingen, former wealthy real estate broker and clubman, now serving a term in Joliet for forgeries totalling \$1,000,000, today won his fight to prevent his wife and former stenographer, Jessie Bland Van Vlissingen, from obtaining a divorce.

A jury in Judge Mangan's court decided that the convict's wife should be denied a decree because she had knowledge of his crimes when she married him. It was her second attempt at separation, the decree first granted being set aside because her husband was not permitted to testify.

Van Vlissingen was much pleased with the verdict, and joked with the guard who had brought him from the penitentiary.

"It's the best news I have heard in years," he said. "Divorce is a worse crime than forgery."